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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to a miscellaneous letter dated April 12,
2001 in the above-identified case.

REMARKS

In the letter, the Sequence Listing was objected to because
(1) the Sequence Listing recites Publication Number WO 95/04819,
while this Application Publication No. was WO 97/18829 and (2) the
Artificial Sequence listed "oligonucleotides".

This U.S. Application (Serial No.: 09/068,253) is based on an
International Publication No. WO 97/18829 or PCT/JP96/03333 (see
numeric identifier <150> of Exhibit 1). The International
Publication No. WO 95/04819 is the reference for SEQ ID NO:1. In
particular, numeric identifier <310> lists the patent reference for
SEQ ID NO:1 (see numeric identifier <310> of Exhibit 1). The list